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BLIGHTED BUILDING RESPONSE FORM

PROPERTY INFORMATION	SQUARE	SUFFIX	LOT		STEP 1 Fill out all of this information 
	PROPERTY ADDRESS				
	OWNER NAME				
	OWNER PHONE		OWNER EMAIL		
	OWNER MAILING ADDRESS				
	AGENT NAME (IF APPLICABLE)				
	AGENT PHONE		AGENT EMAIL		
	AGENT MAILING ADDRESS				

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU SUPPLY ALL OF THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS LISTED NEXT TO YOUR SELECTION BELOW.				
RESPONSE (CHECK ONE)	YES, MY BUILDING IS BLIGHTED. <input type="checkbox"/> Please REGISTER MY BUILDING AS BLIGHTED. I will be taxed at the Class 4 rate.		Return this form completely filled out and include registration fee payment of \$250.00	STEP 2 Select ONE option and attach the supporting documents listed 
	OR			
	NO, MY BUILDING IS OCCUPIED. <input type="checkbox"/> If approved, I will be taxed at the Class 1 or Class 2 (commercial) rate.		Return this form and include two most recent water bills showing usage, and any other utility bills. If a commercial building, please also include a Certificate of Occupancy.	
OR				
	<input type="checkbox"/> I DISAGREE, MY BUILDING IS NOT BLIGHTED. <input type="checkbox"/> I WISH TO APPEAL.		You MUST return this form completely filled out AND photographic evidence that the building does not meet the blight criteria as outlined in D.C. Code §42-3131.05.	

CERTIFICATION	I, the undersigned owner or agent, certify that I have read all information on this application. The information I have provided on this form is complete and accurate. If I am not the owner, I certify that I have the authority from the owner to make such certification and decisions about the above Property. I understand that filing a false statement on this form may subject me to further penalties.		STEP 3 Sign and date 
	Signature	Date	

Mail the completed form, and any applicable required supporting documentation or payment, to the address at the top of this page.

D.C. Official Code § 42-3131.05 Blight Definition:

For the purposes of this subchapter, the term:

(1)(A) “Blighted vacant building” means a vacant building that is determined by the Mayor to be unsafe, insanitary, or which is otherwise determined to threaten the health, safety, or general welfare of the community.

(B) In making a determination that a vacant building is a blighted vacant building, the Mayor shall consider the following:

(i) Whether the vacant building is the subject of a condemnation proceeding before the Board of Condemnation and Insanitary Buildings;

(ii) Whether the vacant building is boarded up; and

(iii) Failure to comply with the following vacant building maintenance standards:

(I) Doors, windows, areaways, and other openings are weather-tight and secured against entry by birds, vermin, and trespassers, and missing or broken doors, windows, and other openings are covered;

(II) The exterior walls are free of holes, breaks, graffiti, and loose or rotting materials, and exposed metal and wood surfaces are protected from the elements and against decay or rust by periodic application of weather-coating materials, such as paint; or

(III) All balconies, porches, canopies, marquees, signs, metal awnings, stairways, accessory and appurtenant structures, and similar features are safe and sound, and exposed metal and wood surfaces are protected from the elements by application of weather-coating materials, such as paint.